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ARTS and CULTURE

Massachusetts Cultural Council

YouthReach Program - New Grants

Program: The YouthReach Initiative provides funding to programs that integrate substantive

out-of-school arts, humanities, and science opportunities into a collaborative community response to the needs of youth at risk. Potential applicants should

contact the program manager prior to submitting a proposal.

Funds: Grant size: \$10,000 annually

Deadline: January 12, 2012

Eligible: Tax-exempt, not-for-profit cultural organizations with 501 (c) 3 status based in

Massachusetts

Information: H. Mark Smith, YouthReach Program Manager, Massachusetts Cultural Council, 10 St.

James Ave., 3rd Floor, Boston, MA 02116, telephone: (617) 727-3668, email:

mark.smith@art.state.ma.us, link:

http://www.massculturalcouncil.org/applications/yrapp.asp

National Endowment for the Arts

Our Town Grants

Program: The National Endowment for the Arts' Our Town Grants are designed to engage in

creative placemaking or improving places and installing art to make them friendlier to communities. In creative placemaking, partners from public, private, nonprofit, and community sectors strategically shape the physical and social character of a neighborhood, town, tribe, city, or region around arts and cultural activities. Creative

placemaking animates public and private spaces, rejuvenates structures and streetscapes, improves local business viability and public safety, and brings diverse

people together to celebrate, inspire, and be inspired.

Funds: Range of grants: \$25,000 to\$150,000

Deadline: March 1, 2012

Eligible: partnerships between tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations with 501 (c) 3 status

and local government entities

Information: National Endowment for the Arts, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC

20506, telephone: (202) 682-5400, email: OT@arts.gov, link: http://www.arts.gov/grants/apply/OurTown/index.html

Institute of Museum and Library Services

National Leadership Grants

Program: The Institute of Museum and Library Services' National Leadership Grants support

projects that address challenges faced by the museum, library, and archive fields and that have the potential to advance practice in those fields. Successful proposals will seek innovative responses to the challenge(s) identified in the proposals and will

For more information about the funding update, contact Laureen Wood at (617) 635-3817, or join the funding update by e-mailing join-funding_update@listserv.cityofboston.gov. Also view the funding update on the City of Boston's webpage at http://www.cityofboston.gov/intergovernmental/

have national impact. The National Leadership Grant program accepts applications under four main categories:

- Advancing Digital Resources—Support the creation, use, presentation, and preservation of significant digital resources as well as the development of tools to enhance access, use, and management of digital assets.
- Research—Support research that investigates key questions that are important to museum, library, and archival practice.
- Demonstration—Support projects that produce a replicable model or practice that is usable, adaptable, or scalable by other institutions for improving services and performance.
- Library Museum Collaboration Grants Support collaborative projects between museums and libraries and other community organizations that address the educational, economic, cultural, or social needs of a community. In 2012, a funding priority will be projects that promote early learning.

Applicants may choose to submit a Project Grant, Planning Grant, or National Forum Grant proposal in any of the above categories. Project Grants support fully developed projects for which needs assessments, partnership development, feasibility analyses, prototyping, and other planning activities have been completed. Planning Grants allow project teams to perform preliminary planning activities that could lead to a subsequent full project, such as needs and feasibility analyses, solidifying partnerships, developing project work plans, or developing prototypes or proofs of concept. National Forum Grants provide the opportunity to convene qualified groups of experts and key stakeholders to consider issues or challenges that are important to libraries, museums, and archives across the nation.

Funds: Grant size: Project Grants: \$50,000to \$500,000 for project grants; up to \$50,000 for

planning grants; and up to \$100,000 for national forum grants.

Deadline: February 1, 2012

Eligible: Libraries and museums

Information: Anthony Donovan Smith, Senior Library Program Officer, Institute of Museum and

Library Services, telephone: (202) 653-4768, email: <u>asmith@imls.gov</u> and Helen Wechsler, Senior Museum Program Officer, Institute of Museum and Library

Services, telephone: (202) 653-4779, email: hwechsler@imls.gov, link:

http://www.imls.gov/applicants/detail.aspx?GrantId=14

Institute of Museum and Library Services Sparks! Ignition Grants for Libraries and Museums

Program:

The Sparks! Ignition grants are designed to encourage libraries and museums to test and evaluate specific innovations in the ways they operate and the services they provide. The grants support the deployment, testing, and evaluation of promising and groundbreaking new tools, products, services, and organizational practices. Sparks proposals must have the following characteristics:

Broad Potential Impact – Applicants must identify a specific problem or need

that is relevant to many libraries, archives, and museums, and propose a testable and measurable solution.

 Significant Innovation —The proposed solution to the identified problem must offer strong potential for non-incremental, significant advancement in the operation of libraries, archives and museums.

Funds: Range of grants: \$10,000 to \$15,000

Number of awards: up to 15

Deadline: February 1, 2012

Eligible: Libraries and museums

Information: Anthony Donovan Smith, Senior Library Program Officer, telephone: (202) 653-4768,

email: <u>asmith@imls.gov</u>, link:

http://www.imls.gov/applicants/detail.aspx?GrantId=19

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Corporation for National and Community Service Massachusetts State Office Request for Concept Papers

Program: The Massachusetts State Office of the Corporation for National and Community

Service has announced an opportunity, subject to availability of resources, to develop new AmeriCorps VISTA projects in the Commonwealth. The request for concept papers is open to organizations that are not current VISTA sponsors. AmeriCorps VISTA (Volunteers In Service To America) is a full-time national service

AmeriCorps VISTA (Volunteers In Service To America) is a full-time national service program for individuals interested in developing lasting solutions to the problems of poverty in the United States. Members create and expand services and programs that help bring low-income individuals out of poverty. More information about

becoming a VISTA Project Sponsor is available at www.americorps.gov

Funds: Number of awards: 20 AmeriCorps VISTA positions statewide

Deadline: January 6, 2012

Eligible: Public organizations, including state and local government agencies, Indian Tribes,

and non-profit private organizations

Information: Sherry McClintock, Massachusetts State Program Director, Corporation for National

and Community Service, 10 Causeway Street, Room 473, Boston, MA 02222, email:

MA@cns.gov, link: http://www.mass-

service.org/resources/funding opportunities/americorps funding

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

U.S. Department of Commerce Economic Development Administration

Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance Programs Opportunity

Program: The Economic Development Administration supports development in economically

distressed areas of the United States by fostering job creation and attracting private investment. Under the Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance programs, the agency will consider construction, non-construction and revolving loan fund investments. Grants made under these programs will leverage regional assets to support the implementation of regional economic development strategies designed to create jobs, leverage private capital, encourage economic development, and

strengthen America's ability to compete in the global marketplace.

Funds: Total funds available: \$151 million

Number of awards: approximately 300

Deadline: December 15, 2011, March 9, 2012, June 8, 2012, and September 14, 2012

Eligible: Governments, public and private colleges and universities, and nonprofit

organizations

Information: H. Philip Paradice, Jr., Regional Director, Atlanta Regional Office, Economic

Development Administration, 401 West Peachtree Street, NW, Suite 1820, Atlanta,

Georgia 30308-3510, telephone: (404) 730-3002, fax: (404) 730-3025, email:

pparadice@eda.doc.gov, link: http://www.eda.gov/PDF/FY 2012 EDAP FFO 11-18-

11 FINAL.pdf

ENVIRONMENT

Environmental Protection Agency Urban Waters Small Grants

Program: The Urban Waters Small Grants support community revitalization projects focused

on improving water quality in urban areas. Grant funding may be used for research,

studies, training, and demonstration projects. Projects should:

promote a comprehensive understanding of local water quality issues;

identify and support activities that address these issues at the local level;

engage, educate, and empower communities surrounding the urban water

body; and

benefit surrounding communities.

Funds: Total funds available: \$3.8 million

Maximum grant size: \$60,000

Deadline: January 23, 2012 (questions must be received by January 16, 2012).

Eligible: Governments, public and private colleges and universities and nonprofits

Information: Ji-Sun Yi, Environmental Protection Agency, telephone: (202) 566-0730, email:

urbanwaters@epa.gov, link: http://www.epa.gov/urbanwaters/funding/2011-1121-

Final-Urban-Waters-Small-Grants-Request-for-Proposals-RFP.pdf

National Fish and Wildlife Foundation and Walmart Stores, Inc.

Acres for America

Program: The Acres for America program provides funding for projects that conserve

important habitat for fish, wildlife, and plants through purchasing property. The goal of the program is to offset the footprint of Walmart's domestic facilities on at least an acre-by-acre basis through these purchases. The awards require a minimum of a

one to one match.

Funds: Total funds available: \$2.5 million

Deadline: April 1, 2012 and September 1, 2012 for pre-proposals

Eligible: Nonprofit organizations

Information: David O'Neill, Director, Eastern Partnership Office, National Fish and Wildlife

Foundation, 1133 Fifteenth Street, N.W., Suite 1100, Washington, D.C. 20005,

telephone: (202) 857-0166, link:

http://www.nfwf.org/AM/Template.cfm?Section=Charter Programs List&TEMPLAT

E=/CM/ContentDisplay.cfm&CONTENTID=17701

HEALTH

ConAgra Foods Foundation Community Impact Grants

Program: The ConAgra Foods Foundation seeks to support leading nonprofits in the following

areas:

- Teaching children and families about good nutrition, healthy habits, and ways to prevent diseases or problems related to malnutrition, food insecurity and obesity.
- Encouraging physical activity for children.
- Fostering collaboration among service providers to minimize duplication, streamline service offerings, and increase the number of children served.
- Strengthening an organization's ability to collect, analyze, and demonstrate the impact of its programs and services in the community.
- Mobilizing resources to heighten public awareness and understanding of the interrelated issues, root causes, and effects of poor child nutrition.

Funds: Average grant size: \$25,000

Range of grants: \$10,000 to \$100,000

Deadline: Letters of interest will be accepted beginning in January.

Eligible: Nonprofit, grassroots organizations that leverage innovation and creativity to address

child hunger and nutrition needs

Information: ConAgra Foods Foundation, One ConAgra Drive, Omaha, NE 68102, email:

foundation@conagrafoods.com, link: www.conagrafoodsfoundation.org

LIBRARIES

H.W. Wilson Foundation, American Library Association, and EBSCO Publishing ALA's Library Leadership & Management Association

John Cotton Dana Library Public Relations Award

Program: The John Cotton Dana Library Public Relations Award, a collaboration among the

H.W. Wilson Foundation, the American Library Association, and EBSCO Publishing, honors outstanding library public relations initiatives, such as summer reading programs, year-long centennial celebrations, fundraising and awareness campaigns,

and innovative partnerships in the community.

Funds: Grant size: \$10,000

Number of awards: eight

Deadline: March 15, 2012

Eligible: Libraries

Information: Kim Terry, Chair, John Cotton Dana Committee, telephone: (405) 606-3750, email,

kterry@metrolibrary.org, link: http://www.ebscohost.com/academic/john-cotton-

<u>dana/</u>.

NEIGHBORHOOD DEVELOPMENT

Citizens Bank

Champions in Action

Program:

Citizens Bank collaborates with its media partner NECN on the Champions in Action program. The program identifies two areas of social concern each year and recognizes nonprofit organizations in the community that have demonstrated success in addressing those challenges. In addition to a cash award from the Citizens Bank Foundation, each Champion in Action receives:

- coverage from NECN, including public service announcements and television profiles;
- volunteer support from Citizens Bank and NECN;
- the opportunity to tap into the expertise of the local bank president through the President-to-President program;
- public relations support; and
- promotional support, including advertising in Citizens Bank branches and on Citizens Bank ATMs, as well as citizensbank.com and NECN.com.

The Champions in Action topic for July to December 2012 will be neighborhood

development.

Funds: Grant size: \$35,000

Number of awards: one per region

Deadline: March 2, 2012

Eligible: Massachusetts not-for-profit organizations with 501 (c) 3 status and a total operating

budget of \$5 million or less

Information: Champions in Action Program, Community Relations Department, Citizens Bank, 53

State Street, Boston, MA 02109 telephone: (), fax: () 680-1401, email: link: http://www.citizensbank.com/community/champions/become.aspx

SPORTS

New Balance

Community Relations and New Balance Foundation

Program: Through the New Balance Foundation, Corporate Contributions Program, Charitable

Product Donation Program, and the Community Connection corporate volunteer program, New Balance helps to build sustainable communities in which they live, work, and do business. The core focus of the New Balance Foundation is the

prevention of childhood obesity. The foundation also recognizes the additional needs

of the Boston community and strategically contributes to other program areas primarily targeting underserved youth. Secondary program areas include education and athletics, health and human services, arts and culture, and environment. Within its education and athletics funding, New Balance believes in promoting learning and physical fitness beyond the traditional classroom and gymnasium. The foundation take an interest in academic and fitness programs that encourage learning, integrate curricula, and recognize fitness as a fundamental link in a balanced, healthy lifestyle and especially seek to support innovative programs that provide opportunities to

children who most need it.

Deadline: rolling

Eligible: Tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations with 501 (c) 3 status

Information: New Balance Community Relations, 20 Guest Street, Brighton MA 02135-2088, email:

newbalancefoundation@newbalance.com, link:

http://www.newbalancefoundation.org/

YOUTH

Youth Service America and the Sodexo Foundation Youth Grants for Community Hunger Projects

Program: Youth Service America and the Sodexo Foundation have announced they will award

youth grants to youth-led service projects in the United States that address the issue of childhood hunger on Global Youth Service Day, scheduled for April 20 to 22, 2012. The grant program seeks to fund service projects that engage students' peers, friends, families, neighbors, Sodexo employees, and other community members in creative youth-inspired solutions to ending childhood hunger in their communities.

Funds: Grant size: \$500

Number of awards: 100

Deadline: January 17, 2012

Eligible: between the ages of 5 and 25

Information: Amanda McDonald, Grants Manager, Youth Service America, 1101 15th Street NW,

Suite 200, Washington, DC 20005, telephone: (202) 296 - 2992, email:

amcdonald@ysa.org, link: www.ysa.org/grants/sodexoyouth/

Youth Service America and the Charles and Lynn Schusterman Family Foundation J-Serve 2012 Grants

Program: J-Serve is the International Day of Jewish Youth Service. Since 2005, J-Serve has been

a part of Youth Service America's Global Youth Service Day. J-Serve grants seek to enable communities around the world to participate in J-Serve Day on April 22 and provide teens with the opportunity to fulfill the Jewish values of gemilutchasidim (acts of loving kindness), tzedakah (just and charitable giving), and tikkum olam (the

responsibility to repair the world).

Funds: Award size: \$500

Deadline: rolling

Eligible: Community projects

Information: Rae Krucoff, International J-Serve Project Coordinator, BBYO, telephone: (202)

857.6594, email: rkrucoff@bbyo.org, link: http://www.ysa.org/grants/jserve and

http://www.jserve.org/

Entertainment Software Association Foundation

Program Grants

Program: The foundation, the giving effort of the Entertainment Software Association,

supports programs and services that use technology and computer and video games to educate youth ages seven to 18. The foundation will fund specific projects and programs that are or will be implemented or available nationwide or in a minimum

of two states in the United States.

Funds: Maximum grant size: \$50,000

Deadline: May 15, 2012

Eligible: Tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations with 501 (c) 3 status and governments

Information: ESA Foundation, 317 Madison Avenue, 22nd Floor, New York, NY 10017,

telephone: (917) 522-3250, email: esafinfo@theesa.com, link:

http://www.esafoundation.org/

FOUNDATION PROFILES

Amelia Peabody Charitable Fund

Program: The mission of the Amelia Peabody Charitable Fund is to continue the philanthropic

legacy of Amelia Peabody through grants to qualified non-profit organizations in New England that further her life-long interests in health, animal welfare, visual arts, land conservation, and historic preservation. The Fund also makes grants in support of capital projects and purchases to social service and youth service organizations in

Massachusetts.

Funds: Total funds available: \$8 million to \$10 million annually

Deadline: February 1 and July 1 each year

Eligible: Tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations with 501 (c) 3 status in Boston and New

England

Information: Amelia Peabody Charitable Fund, 185 Devonshire Street, Suite 600, Boston, MA

02110-1414, telephone: (617) 451-6178, link: http://www.apcfund.org/

Dreyer's Grand Ice Cream Foundation

Grants for Events

Program: The Dreyer's Grand Ice Cream Foundation makes small grants and donates ice cream

products and gift certificates and auction items to non-profit organizations for events. Organizations should submit requests in writing at least eight weeks prior to

the event.

Funds: Maximum grant size: \$1,000, plus products and gift certificates

Deadline: rolling, with decisions monthly

Eligible: Tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations with 501 (c) 3 status

Information: Dreyer's Grand Ice Cream Foundation, 5929 College Avenue, Oakland, California

94618,link: http://www.nestleusa.com/nirf/cm2/upload/3CBE7B72-7966-42A0-

B3DD-CCDE0E7C90B3/DreversFoundationInformation.pdf

RECENT AWARDS

Harvard Pilgrim Healthcare Foundation Growing Up Healthy Program Grants

Program: The Boys & Girls Clubs of Boston received a \$70,000 grant from the Harvard Pilgrim

Healthcare Foundation as part of a wellness initiative aimed at combating childhood obesity by promoting healthy eating and active living. The funding for the Boys &

Girls Club of Boston is the third grant in connection with a multi-year commitment by Harvard Pilgrim Healthcare Foundation to the organization and covers the cost of a wellness coordinator and related expenses located at the Blue Hills club, along with physical activity programs in other clubs. In addition, the foundation awarded a grant of \$5,000 to The Food Project to construct a vegetable garden and support related education program at the Boys & Girls Club Blue Hills. These grants are part of the Harvard Pilgrim Healthcare Foundation's Growing Up Healthy program, a \$5 million, five-year project in three states that aims to prevent childhood obesity by altering the environments where children and families spend the majority of their time. This includes improving schools and after-school programs; providing affordable, healthier food options at farmers markets and local supermarkets; establishing more places to walk and bicycle; and supporting smart growth strategies.

Information:

Harvard Pilgrim Healthcare Foundation, link:

https://www.harvardpilgrim.org/portal/page? pageid=213,84006& dad=portal& sc hema=PORTAL